

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 31 August 2005 at 7:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Douglas Bennett, Whiting Willauer, Bruce Watts, Michael Glowacki and Brian Chadwick. Chairman Glowacki called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### Announcements

Chairman Glowacki announced that Smoke Testing to locate storm water sources possibly connected to the sanitary sewer systems will begin September 12, 2005 and continue for about two months; he noted questions should be directed to the Department of Public Works at 508 228-7244.

Chairman Glowacki also announced changes in NRTA shuttle service to occur following Labor Day, with details available via the NRTA Office at 508 325-9571 or its website at [www.shuttlenantucket.com](http://www.shuttlenantucket.com).

### Public Comment

Island resident John McLaughlin inquired about road repairs to a section of road downtown.

Approval of Minutes of 17 August 2005; 18 August 2005. On Chairman Glowacki's request for the pleasure of the Board, Mr. Chadwick noted that the attachment provided by Mr. Willauer should not become part of the previously approved minutes of 21 July 2005. Mr. Chadwick then moved to approve the minutes of 17 August 2005 as prepared with attached comments of Mr. Willauer. Mr. Bennett seconded. Discussion followed. With the consent of Mr. Chadwick, the motion was amended to allow for the amendment of the attachment language from "attached to the 21 July 2005 at 4:00 PM minutes" to "attached to the 17 August 2005 at 7:00 PM minutes." Mr. Bennett seconded. The motion carried with affirmative votes from all but Mr. Watts who was opposed.

On Chairman Glowacki's request for the pleasure of the Board, the members unanimously approved the minutes of 18 August 2005.

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Weeks Ending 21 August 2005 and 28 August 2005. Payroll warrants for weeks ending 21 August 2005 and 28 August 2005 were approved by unanimous consent of the Board.

Approval of Treasury Warrant and Pending Contracts for Weeks Ending 24 August and 31 August 2005. The treasury warrant and pending contracts for weeks ending 24 August and 31 August 2005 were approved by unanimous consent of the Board.

Public Hearing to Determine Tax Allocation by Classification (Chapter 369, Acts of 1982, as Amended) and Percentage, if any, of Residential Exemption to be Granted for Fiscal Year 2006. Assessor Debbie Dilworth and Finance Director Connie Voges gave an explanation of tax rates as related to the tax shift and residential exemption. Discussion followed. Mr. Chadwick moved to shift 175% to commercial, industrial and personal property. Mr. Watts seconded. So voted unanimously. Mr. Chadwick moved to adopt a 20% residential exemption as presented. Mr. Watts seconded. So voted unanimously.

### Department Updates: Airport Commission.

Nantucket Airport Commission Chairman Foley Vaughan gave a presentation on Nantucket Memorial Airport activities. Chairman Glowacki invited comments and questions from the Board. Discussion followed. On invitation for public comments, Christine Silverstein, Chairperson of the Noise Abatement

Committee, and D. Anne Atherton spoke against airplane noise. Surfside resident Tom Quigley spoke in support of FAA and DOT efforts to solve noise problems. Patrick Topham of the FAA and Airport Manager Al Peterson gave additional information.

Department Updates: Finance Committee Report Regarding Funding Options and Cost-Benefit Analysis of Proposed Transportation Center. Chairman Glowacki provided recent background and, with the consent of the Board, continued the matter to the meeting of September 14, 2005 to allow additional time as requested by the Finance Committee to prepare the report.

Town Administrator's Report: Review of/Action on Draft Response to Finance Committee Regarding Waste Options Contract Recommendations. Town Administrator Libby Gibson reviewed the draft response provided in mailboxes on Monday, August 29, 2005. Discussion followed. Mr. Bennett requested continuation to the next meeting to allow the Board to further review the response to which the Board consented. Mr. Chadwick directed a question to Finance Committee member Rick Atherton about Waste Options' offer to meet with the committee. Mr. Atherton indicated committee's willingness to do so.

Acceptance and Conveyance of Land Related to Sparks Avenue/Pleasant Street Roundabout. Transportation Planner Mike Burns identified parcels and requested Board action in a land swap of two parcels necessary to secure the right of way for the proposed roundabout. Mr. Watts moved to accept the deed from Hardship, LLC to the Town of Nantucket for Parcel 1, a portion of 14B Sparks Avenue. Mr. Bennett seconded. So voted unanimously. Mr. Bennett moved to convey Parcel RL-1, a portion of 14A Sparks Avenue, from the Town of Nantucket to Hardship, LLC. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

Town Administrator's Report. Ms. Gibson announced the Town's employee appreciation activities to occur from 2-4 PM on September 2, She noted that due to bicycle path construction, Old South Road will be one lane road September 6, 2005 to the end of the month.

Ms. Gibson presented a report on activities to date regarding the implementation of Board of Selectmen goals adopted May 4, 2005. Discussion followed.

Ms. Gibson welcomed One Big Beach consultant Doug Unruh who gave an update of his activities and shared a draft brochure to be printed on the project. He asked for Board comments by Friday, September 2, 2005. Discussion followed.

Selectmen's Reports/Comment. Mr. Bennett asked about the status of a letter to Congressman Delahunt pertaining to the extension of a lease for the property under the Brant Point Boathouse. Ms. Gibson replied it was forthcoming.

At 8:25 PM, Chairman Glowacki polled the Board and Mr. Watts, Mr. Chadwick, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Willauer and Chairman Glowacki voted unanimously to adjourn to executive session not to return to open session following a meeting of the County Commissioners.

Approved the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2005.